

The Twig

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President's Corner

Hello Members!

We have started a new year, and we are busy developing programs for Spring. First is the noted David Allen, who wrote columns for the Daily Bulletin. These were informative and interesting columns which he put into book form. I think he will be a fascinating speaker at our Author's Event which is February 15 at 11AM. We need at least 20 participants so be sure to signup. At our board meeting we talked about our two future events, the Spring Tea and Installation Luncheon. We need help with these, so if you have time to help with just one of these, contact Joey Sanchez.

Work has started on the Fashion Show for October. This is an event that needs a lot of planning and Micaela Ruiz has done a wonderful job putting this together. Again, we need people to help with the planning and implementation. Please Micaela if you can help.

It takes a village to bring up a child, and it takes a lot of volunteers to sustain an organization like AAUW. Please consider volunteering to help, even if it is just for one event or as a Board member or Committee Chair. The Nominating Committee has been formed to look at next's year's slate of officers. If you are interested, we would LOVE to include you. Contact Sandy Moore to volunteer.

See you at the Author's event.

Rita Dixon & Joey Sanchez, Co-Presidents

January Calendar

Board Meeting: Feb. 8th @10:00-12:00pm at Hillcrest in the Citrus Room Scholarship Committee Meeting:

<u>Fashion Show Committee Meeting:</u>

Feb. 19th @ 1:00 at Micaela's

Books:

Morning (2nd Friday, 11:30am) .Feb. 14th
@ Marie Callenders,in Azusa read
"James" by Percival Everett
Afternoon (2nd Monday, 1:00pm) Feb. 11th
@ 's read "" by
Evening (3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm) Feb.19th
@ 's read "" by
Mystery (3rd Tuesday, 1:00pm)
@ 's read "" by

Bridge:

1st Monday (@1:00pm) Feb. 3rd at

2nd Tuesday (@1:00pm) Feb. 11th at Sally Mabry 3rd Thursday (@1:00pm) Feb. 20th at Joey Sanchez's

Bunco:

Afternoon (1st Tuesday 1:00pm)
Feb. 4th at Dorothy Fountain's
Evening (4th Wednesday 6:00pm)
Feb. 26th at Sandy Moore's
Play Reading: (2nd Thursday, 1:00pm)
Feb. 13th at Hope Holdworth's
Gourmet:

Souper Bowl Gourmet Lunch on 2-1-25 at 12:00pm @ Sandy Moore's home

See anything missing? Any items you want printed in the Twig need to be submitted to Jeanne Verbera by the 23th of each month. Thank You



A Donation is Needed

Needed yarn for a children's project. Any size, any color, any amount, any condition. If you have yarn that you would be willing to donate, please contact Sandy Moore Cell # 909-596-0747

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Kay Jones 562-506-3845 Thank you, Sandy Moore

The Author's Event

Will be on February 11, 2025 and will be held at the Glendora Library in Glendora. Time is at 11:00am-2:00pm. David Allen is the key speaker. There will be light refreshments.

RECYCLING

Did you know that our ESGV Branch recycles plastic & aluminum BEVERAGE CONTAINERS?

Just bring them to your next meeting or contact Dee Smist who takes care of this.

Every little bit helps add to our General Fund!

You Are Invited To Join Our Interest Groups

Books:

Morning-2nd Fri. @ 11:30 am Afternoon-2nd Mon. @ 1:00pm Evening-3rd Wed. @ 7:00pm Mystery-3rd Tues. @ 1:00pm

Bridge:

I- 1st Mon. @ 1:00pm II- 2nd Tues. @ 1:00pm III-3th Thurs. @ 1:00pm

Bunco:

Afternoon-1st Tues. @ 1:00pm Evening-4th Wed. @ 6:00pm

Gourmet:

Date & Time TBA

Play Reading:

2nd Thurs @ 1:00pm (Oct-June)



January Birthdays

24- Jackie Littrell - Juliana Manosalva



Birthday Cards Needed

If you have extra birthday cards & would like to donation to our group, please bring them to your next interest group, event or give to Joey Sanchez. Thank You

If you would like to have your birthday in The Twig, please send an email to jsantos69@roadrunner.com Cecilia Santos-Social Secretary







Remembering Will Holdsworth

Will Holdsworth, the husband of longtime AAUW member Hope Holdsworth, passed away on Jan. 10, 2025. For many years Will supported Hope in her numerous tasks as officer on the ESGV-AAUW Board. Like his good friend Joe Sanchez, Will loaded and unloaded food and supplies for many branch events, and helped in any way he was needed.

Will very much enjoyed socializing with other husbands of AAUW members. He was happy to participate in Couples Gourmet dinner parties. Some years ago Will, along with Joe and another AAUW husband Jim Parker, became good friends and met for lunch regularly. Jim's wife Irene named the group "the Romeos-Retaired Old Men Eating Out." The three men enjoyed each other's company for as long as they lived.

Will was a person who was easy to converse with. He was quite modest and unassuming, and few of us were aware that he held a PhD degree and in earlier years was a professor at Pomona College, teaching *History of Western Civilization*. Later in life he worked in the SSI Division of the Social Security Administration.

Will Holdsworth was a true "gentleman"- a gentle man. He is very much missed.



Members and Friends

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 1, 2025.

Souper Bowl Gourmet Lunch

at 12:00 pm It will be at Sandy Moore's house 1249 Vega Circle La Verne, CA

Bring a pot of your favorite soup to share.
Also please bring the receipt(s) for your ingredients to share the cost.
For more information please call Sandy at 909-596-0747

The Scholarship Recipients met up with Lucille Wright to receive their last semester check.
They provided their documents of grades and enrollment for their 2nd semester. The young ladies and their parents were asked to write about the benefit of receives their scholarships.
Also, the ladies were ask about their goals.

They are living up to their expectations.









Author's Event

Our ESGV-AAUW Branch is having an Author's Brunch at the Glendora Library, in the Bidwell Forum.

Please join us on Saturday, Feb. 15, 2025 at 11:00am -2:00pm

Our speaker this year will be David Allen author of "Waving at Strangers." He writes a column for the San Gabriel Tribune three times a week.

Light refreshments will be served at no cost to you.

Please RSVP by Feb. 2nd 2025 by calling Dora Dou at 626-382-8973 or emailing her at eudoradou@gmail.com

We hope to see all of you and your friends there, Hope Holdsworth & Pauline Duplessis





Scholarship Recipients

Were EmilyRuiz, her father Rigoberto.

Katrina Bosler, her mother Lian.

IsabellaTrejos, her mother Veronica.



KATRINA BOSLER

I am currently a second-year student at UC San Diego studying computer science. Tech-Trek introduced me to coding and I have been working and improving my skills one-step at a time. I love my classes and have been enjoying my time at school so far.

I am interested in getting more involved in software development or cybersecurity, so learning more about these two fields are my current goal.

LIAN BOSLER

As a parent, I am very proud of Katrina having been selected for an AAUW Scholarship. The scholarship means a lot to her because she worked very hard in high school to earn excellent grades. All of her hard work being recognized. Katrina was able to use the money on food and campus expenses. From the bottom of my heart, I truly appreciate the wonderful way that you are and benefits the organization has given to us. Thank you.

EMILY RUIZ

I am so grateful for all the support I've received so far and cannot wait for all the new opportunities this year will bring.

My goal for the next upcoming year is to gain a leadership role in the Academic Club. I am involved in "Students for the Exploration" and "Discovery of Space (SEDS)". Our goal is to launch our rocket "HAYLA" by the next quarter. I also plan to join a reach lab, maintain 3.0 GPA, and to become a RA!

I am a part of a "Female Mentorship Program". Next year I will be able to mentor upcoming female freshmen and other girls in the STEM related careers.

For the summer, I am looking for an Internship. Any support or networking would be appreciated. I'm looking into any mechanical or aerospace internship. I am also interested in shadowing people. My dream internship would be for companies like JPL, NASA, Boeing, etc. I am currently at UCSD am pursing a major in Aerospace Engineering. Thank you so much AAUW. Much love.

RIGOBERTO RUIZ

It is so nice to see such support for students and families of low income. Emily's scholarship paid for her food and part of her housing at UC San Diego. (cont.)



Hello! My name is <u>ISABELLA TREJOS</u> and I am a very grateful recipient of the AAUW Scholarship and Tech-Teck. Tech-Trek was the catalyst for my journey and I am so grateful to be connected to such a wonderful organization. I interned last year for the Neurology camp and I am looking forward to interning & teaching this coming summer. I am looking to go to Medical school and pursue psychiatry or neurology. AAUW connects you to an amazing network and I feel confident in pursuing my goals, especially with this scholarship. If any members are interested in health equity, medicine or brain research please reach out! My email is chabela_24@berkeley.edu

Thank you AAUW Summer Internship

I am looking for volunteer/work opportunities
I am specifically looking for Clinical Medicine
experiences and programs for the summer. Also
I am interested in Policy Advocacy especially for
Health Equity.

I would be grateful for any shadowing or large scale programs or projects. I volunteer administering first aid with the Red Cross and work in a Neuroscience lab at UC Berkeley. I am seeking Virtual Spring 2025, and summer work as well.

Forever thankful for the scholarship.



VERONICA TREJOS

Thank you AAUW! As a parent to an award recipient, Isabella Trejo, we have been so gratful and impressed by the opportunities your amazing oraganization has brought to our daughter. Not only has your monetary gifts been so appreciated, but what has been so valuable is the network of professional women she has been surrounded,learning from, and inspired by!! Truly amazing gifts AAUW has given to my daughter.

Thank you so much.



RIGOBERTO RUIZ (cont.)

It is good that all the parents had the opportunity to sit down together and share how useful the scholarship was for their daughters.

Thanks AAUW for the support and opportunity given to my daughter. We appreciate the efforts of the women who helped us with the scholarship.